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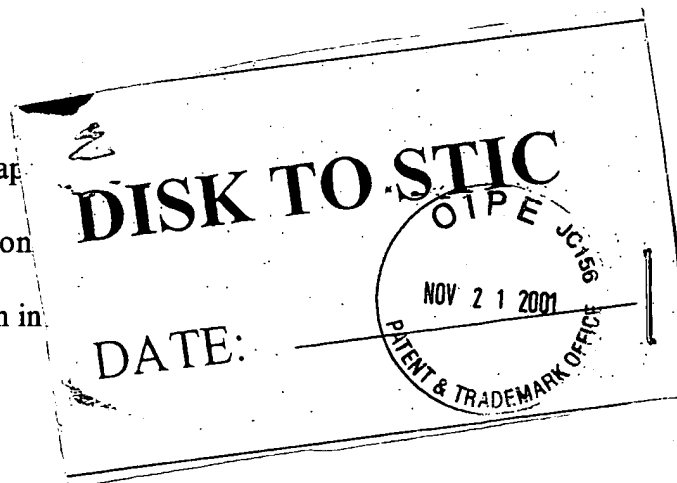
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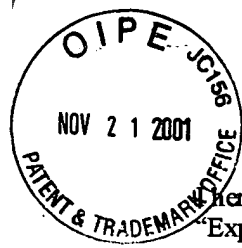
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The applicant hereby confirms that the Diskette containing the sequence listing does not include matter which goes beyond the disclosure of the International application as filed.

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